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**NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37  
CFR 1.192(c)**

The brief includes a statement that claims 1-16 do not stand or fall together, but fails to do so for each grounds of rejection (112 1<sup>st</sup> and 112 2<sup>nd</sup>) as required under 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7). MPEP § 1206. In this case, it is not clear if the statement applies to the 112 1<sup>st</sup> rejection, the 112 2<sup>nd</sup> rejection, or both grounds of rejection. Further, the brief fails to set forth reasons as to why claims 1-12 and 16 do not stand or fall with claims 13-15. It is also noted here that the brief includes arguments directed to a non-appealable issue (i.e. the drawing objections). This issue should be removed from any corrected brief submitted by appellant.

Appellant is required to comply with provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c).

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, Appellant must comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c) within the longest of any of the following TIME PERIODS: (1) ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing of this communication; (2) within the time period for reply to the action from which appeal has been taken; or (3) within two months from the date of the notice of appeal under 37 CFR 1.191. Extensions of these time periods may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136.

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